

General Assembly

## **Amendment**

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LCO No. 4560



Offered by:

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 228

File No. 372

Cal. No. 259

(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING DAMAGES FOR THE UNLAWFUL KILLING OR INJURING OF A COMPANION ANIMAL AND REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE CONCERNING THE TETHERING OF DOGS."

- 1 Strike section 1 and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- 2 "Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 22-351a of the general statutes is
- 3 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 4 1, 2016):
- 5 (b) Any person who intentionally kills or injures a companion
- 6 animal, except in defense of such person or another person or as
- 7 otherwise authorized by law, shall be liable to the owner of such
- 8 companion animal for economic damages sustained by such owner
- 9 including, but not limited to, expenses of veterinary care, the fair
- monetary value of the companion animal and burial expenses for the
- 11 companion animal. Additionally, the court may award damages, not to

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exceed five thousand dollars, to the owner of such companion animal 12

- for the loss of companionship of such animal upon receipt of evidence 13
- concerning the length of ownership of such animal, the use of such 14
- 15 animal for companionship purposes and the disposition or
- 16 temperament of such companion animal."